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SUBJECT: STUDENT ARREST

REF: STATE 029714

1. ACCORDING TO HEAD OF STUDENT ORGANIZATION WHO WAS IMPRISONED WITH NA PYONG-SIK IN 1974, AND KNOWS HIM WELL, NA WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY JANUARY 13, 1976 AND IS NOW IN SODAEMUN PRISON IN SEOUL.

2. REASON FOR NA'S REIMPRISONMENT NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR, BUT IT REPORTEDLY RESULTED FROM HIS FRIENDSHIP WITH KOREAN RESIDENT OF JAPAN STUDYING MEDICINE AT SNU. THIS STUDENT WAS ARRESTED ON ALLEGATION THAT HE MEMBER OF NORTH KOREAN ESPIONAGE RING FOR WHICH HE TRAINED IN NK. IF THIS TRUE, NA PROBABLY PICKED UP ON SUSPICION OF ASSOCIATION WITH SAME SPY RING.

3. AS DEPT. AWARE, NA WAS SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS IN PRISON IN 1974 UNDER EM-4. HE WAS RELEASED WITH OTHERS UNDER PRESIDENTIAL PARDON ON FEBRUARY 15, 1975. PARDON ACTUALLY A PAROLE AND NA WAS ALWAYS LEGALLY SUSCEPTIBLE TO REIMPRISONMENT WHEN AUTHORITIES DEEMED HE HAD VIOLATED PAROLE.

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